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SUBJECT: *red*
LARIONOFF, Victor Alexandrovitch

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1.-Initial personal contact was made this date with LARIONOFF by the reporting officer. LARIONOFF appeared to be rather nervous in the beginning, however, he was most willing to talk about himself and give the correct impression in regard to his ability to be of service to the Americans.

He was closely questioned on his background, as well as on his contacts in Bavaria and in the French zone of occupation. Information gained at this interview confirms that formerly reported through GEREBKOV and contained in reference reports.

2.-The reporting officer stressed the importance of absolute security of his operations and the fact that for the immediate future it would be preferable for him to proceed in gathering information on individual basis. This seemed to please him a great deal as he stated that in these times when political events move so rapidly, one may never be sure when and which one of his associates may decide to suddenly change sides, he therefor was glad to maintain contact solely with the reporting officer and people of his own choosing.

In order to clear up any possible misunderstanding which LARIONOFF may have held as to the "meaning" of his first contact with the Americans, (and he certainly had one, for he started on a long dissertation on the American-Bolshevist struggle), the reporting officer stated that he hoped that LARIONOFF understood that this was not meant to be interpreted by him to the effect that the United States Government was engaging in supporting or backing the aspirations of any White Russian or other groups against the Soviet Union, but that the U.S. Government, from a purely national defensive view, was interested in detecting any intelligence or counter-intelligence organizations operating against the interests of the United States. In view of the fact that he claimed to have certain information in regard to the operations of Soviet intelligence, such information is naturally of interest to the United States. LARIONOFF stated that he understood

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that perfectly (actually he took it with a grain of salt, - a necessary statement for "diplomatic reasons".), and that in as much as he has been fighting Bolshevism for the past twenty five years, he was happy at the opportunity to pass what information he has or may in the future obtain to the Americans:

3.-The general type of subject matter he may be able to furnish was discussed. LARIONOFF promised to gather appropriate material for an eventual preparation of a detailed report on the following subject:

Operation of the Soviet Intelligence Service In
American and French Occupation Zones in Germany,
Since the Collapse of the Vlassov Army.

- a. Its organization.
- b. Personnel.
- c. Location of various posts.
- d. Aims.

Copies of all material gradually collected for the above target, will be regularly given to the reporting officer.

At the next meeting, which is to take place next week, LARIONOFF promised to present a complete list, with a short biographical outline, of all persons in Munich, Berlin, and within the French zone, whom he considers to be of possible counter-intelligence value.

4.-Upon reestablishing his Munich connections, and completing a few preliminary reports, LARIONOFF expects to return to his family in the French zone, and after making proper arrangements with either RAMSDORFF or SAKHAROFF? (Ref. Spot Reports 121-122), to keep him informed on local developments, he wishes to settle in Munich, providing some kind of an understanding can be reached with us. His wife and daughter will remain in the French zone for reasons given in Spot Report 187 para. 3. At the moment he hopes that we would be able to assist him in:

- a. Finding a place to live.
- b. Obtaining necessary registration papers.
- c. Finding some "cover" employment.

5.-No commitments of any sort were made by the reporting officer.